



Docket Q02-1031-US1

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Group Art Unit: 2112
Thomas Bolt, et al)	
)	Examiner: Patel, Nimesh
Serial No.: 10/075,121)	
)	Preliminary Amendment
Filed: Feb. 13, 2002)	For RCE In Response to
)	Advisory Action
For: Use of the Universal Serial Bus as an)	Of April 11, 2005; and
Internal Architecture within IDE Disk)	Petition for 2-month Extension
Array)	of Time under 37 CFR 1.136

Preliminary Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicant hereby responds to the Advisory Action of April 11, 2005 and the Final Office Action of Dec. 22, 2004, in the above-referenced patent application, by filing this preliminary amendment along with the enclosed RCE and fee check.

Applicant hereby petitions for a 2-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, from March 22, 2005 to May 22, 2005, to file this preliminary amendment and RCE. However, because May 22, 2005 is a Sunday, the extension of time is till May 23, 2005. The enclosed fee check for \$1,240 includes the extension fee of \$450 for the 2-month extension of time, and \$790 fee for the RCE. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account no. 502566 for any deficiencies or other fees required for this filing.

Reconsideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested in view of the

following amendments and remarks. The undersigned has been authorized to respond to the Office Action.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 3 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.